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Mitchell River Bridge Closure

Chatham- Bridge Street in the vicinity of the Mitchell River Bridge will be closed to all through traffic beginning **September 17, 2014**.

The closure is associated with the MassDOT project for replacement of the Mitchell River drawbridge. The roadway and bridge is scheduled to remain closed to traffic through June 2016. Local access to residences, public landings and commercial businesses will be maintained throughout the project duration.

The Mitchell River waterway will remain open during the duration of the project. However, boat passage through the bridge will be required to be detoured outside the traditionally marked channel during specific phases of construction activities. Contact the Chatham Harbormaster at (508) 945-5185 for any navigation related questions.

The contractor will be installing detour signage throughout the Town warning of the bridge closure and identifying traffic detour routes. Mobile electronic message boards will also be deployed at key locations to provide information regarding the bridge closure. In addition, during the first week of road closure the Chatham Police Department will provide on-site police details to further assist motorists in reaching their destinations.

We encourage you to visit the Town's website to view the Mitchell River Bridge traffic detour plan and for any updated information regarding the project and at: http://www.chatham-ma.gov

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this important project to replace the Mitchell River Bridge.